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Re Patent Application of:)
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al.) Examiner: Kevin Quinto
Serial No. 10/725,535) Group Art Unit: 2826
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For: NONVOLATILE MEMORY AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the U.S. documents cited are enclosed. Applicants, however, have not provided copies of the Japanese patents, since they were previously provided with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 3, 2003 and considered by the Examiner.

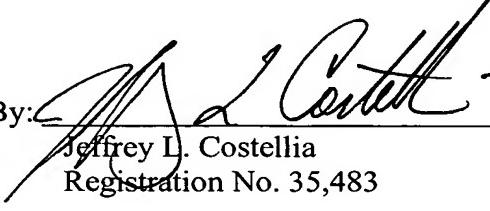
Specifically, the U.S. documents cited herein relate to prior pending applications that were cited in the Information Disclosure Statement of December 3, 2003, namely, Serial Nos. 09/192,745 and 09/115,094 now issued as patents U.S. 6,686,623 and U.S. 6,693,299, respectively. In addition, the form of translation for Japanese Patent Nos. JP11-150,198; JP11-163171; and JP11-163172 should have reflected "Abstract" as cited in the parent application. The above updated information is provided on the attached Form PTO-1449.

It is requested that the accompanying PTO-1449 be considered and made of record in the above-identified application. To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initial a copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

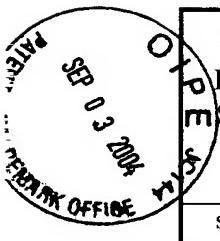
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